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March 23, 2020

David J. Bradley, Clerk

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
VICTORIA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	§	
	§	
VS.	§	CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 6:20-CR-31
	§	
JOHN WESLEY RIEHS; aka BIG JOHN,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	
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MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER OF DETENTION PENDING TRIAL

A detention hearing has been held in accordance with the Bail Reform Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f). The following requires detention of the defendant pending trial in this case:

(1) There is probable cause to believe the defendant committed an offense for which a maximum term of imprisonment of ten years or more is prescribed in 21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)(A); and


(2) The defendant has not rebutted the presumption that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required and the safety of the community.

The evidence against the defendant meets the probable cause standard. The defendant has a serious substance abuse problem and his personal information has not been verified. The defendant is ORDERED detained pending trial. However, the undersigned notes that the defendant has been released on a state bond for offenses

related to this federal case for over a year. Therefore, defense counsel may move to re-open the detention hearing if he can present a suitable release plan, provided the defendant's personal information is verified. The findings and conclusions contained in the Pretrial Services Report are adopted.

The defendant is committed to the custody of the United States Marshal or his designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The defendant shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private consultation with defense counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the defendant to the United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

ORDERED this 23rd day of March 2020.



Jason B. Libby
United States Magistrate Judge